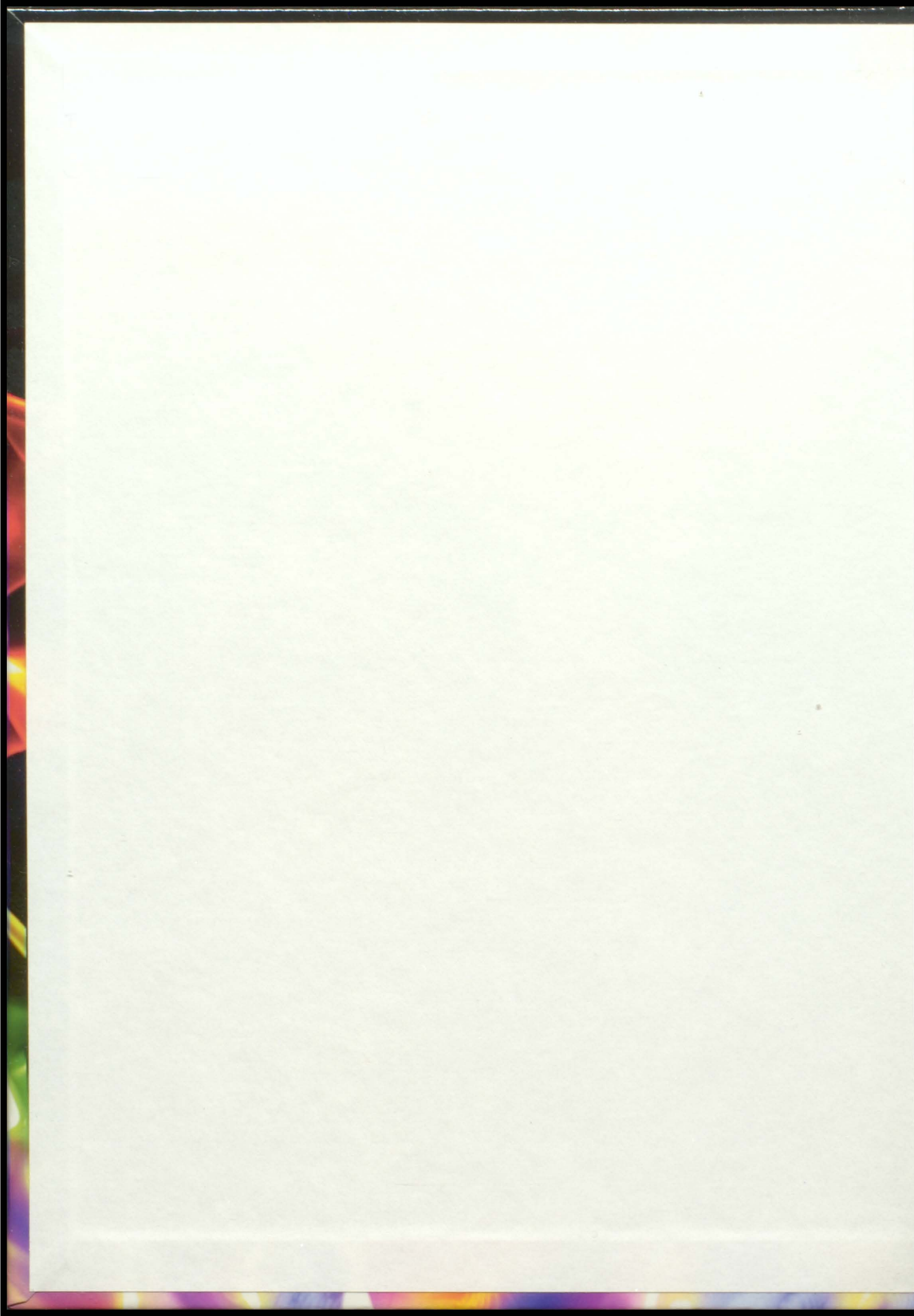
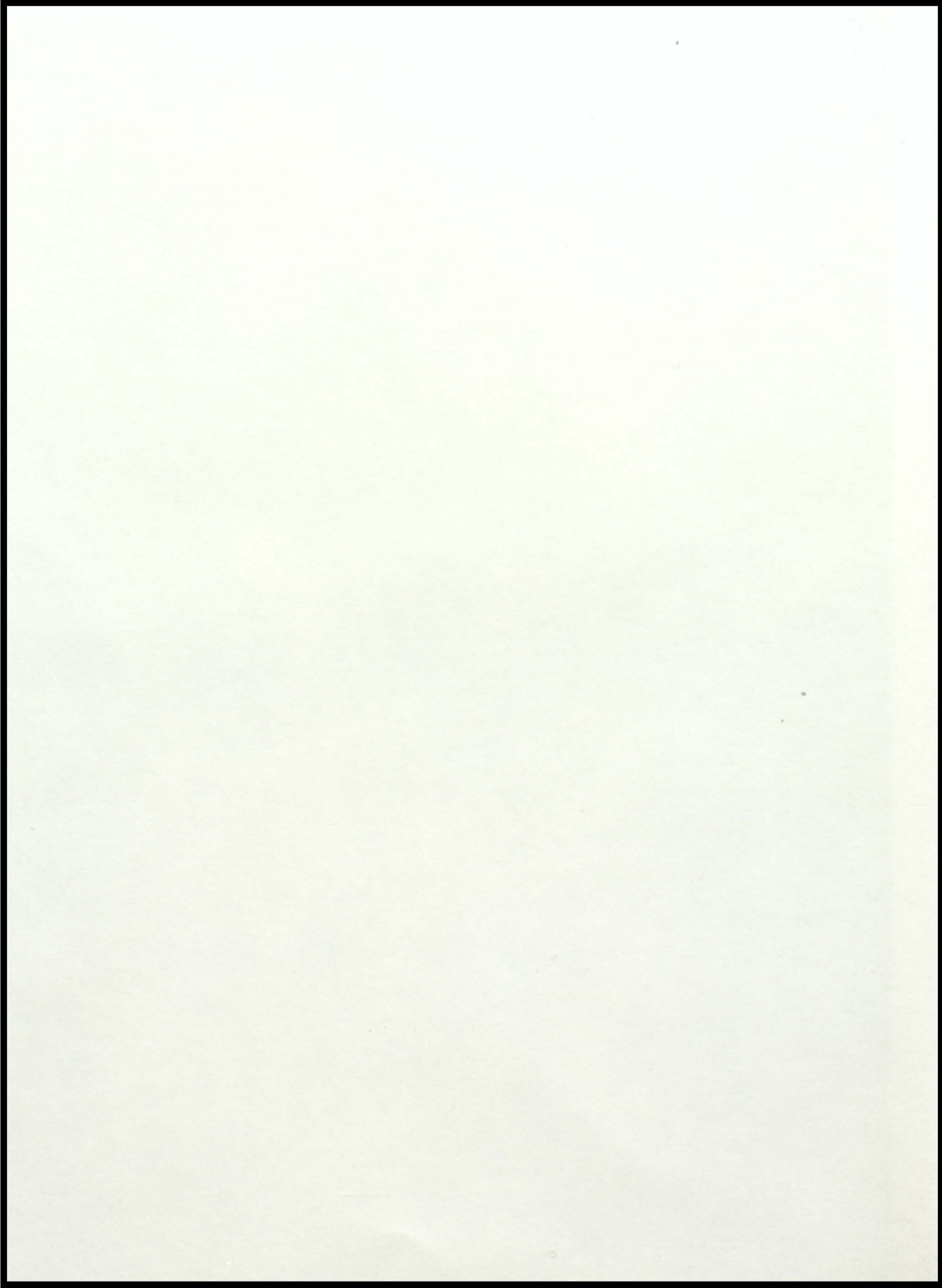


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NEWARK TECH 2014







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Class of 2014

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Newark Tech!**

Class of 2014



"If your
dreams
don't
scare
you ...
then they
are not
big
enough."

Seniors



Randa Adams



Stefan Ali



Christian Aljunanchi



Kenny Allen



Vaness Anane



Richard Angamarca



Daysha Anthony



Adonis Aquino



Jeanette Arana



Sagen Araya



William Asante



Shamar Azeez



Julia Barton



Quiana Barton



Jenyce Baytops



Hanifah Benson



Rajanee Best



Dino Boyd



Jante Bracewell



Aloma Brooks



Junior Buri



Isaiah Campbell



Dahje Carroll



Evelyn Carswell

Seniors

"The inner machinations of my mind are an enigma."

Seniors

"We are taught to blame everyone but our selves, but it's always our fault, because if you wanted to change you would change."



Iyana Carter



Olga Chavez



Silvia Chicaiza



Renita Chrisandut



Imani Clark



Hilary Colon



Jayda Cook



Zhane Daughtridge



Byanca Davis



Chris De-Teku



Alana Diomande



Luis Dipre



Mamasa Dukureh



David Emenuga



Omar-Sharif Finch



Yamile Fonseca



Colis Foster



Jesus Galera



Sheila Galli



Fatma Al-Zahraa Gamal El-



Ohany Garcia



Isaiah Gardner



Shazyia Green



Joao Guerra

"You are
born
alone.
Live your
life like
no one
else's."

Seniors

"If you
stand for
nothing,
then you
will fall
for
anything."

Seniors



Keziah Hall



Al-Tariq Halsey



Angelica Harper



Karen Heredia



Cesar Hernandez



Shontel Hunter



Tamina Hutchins



Erika Inguil



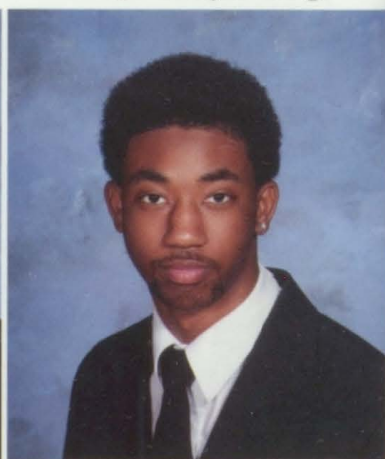
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Shamere Jackson



Shawn James



Fahrhad Jasper



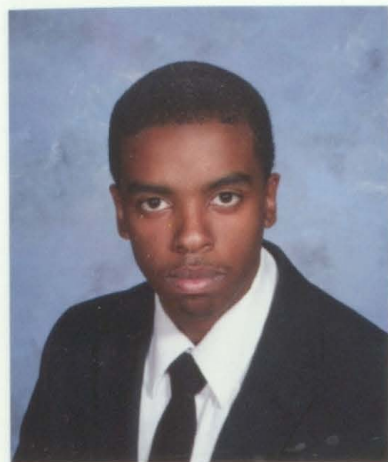
Widline Jean-Paul



Diondrah Jenkins



Quaniya Jenkins



Jordan Johnson



Nasir Jones



Nathaniel Jones



Toriann Jordine



Mamoudou Kaba



Rita Kalu



Mamaceh Kamara



Ciara Kendall



Guichelle Kenfack

Seniors

"Going
for the
Gold."

Seniors

"Newark
Tech has
taught me
friendship,
unity,
community,
kindness,
youth,
optimism,
and under
standing."



Tatyana Knox



Aderonke Lawal



Shavanna Lesaine



Jada Lewis



Sharllon Lobato



Janelyn Lopez



Kemely Lopez



Al-Janera Love



Emelyn Made



Ruth Martinez



Kassandra Matos



Papio Matos



Matthew Maxfield



Jamanii McCreary



Danielle McPhatter



Norma Mejia



Paola Mendez



Ismael Mercado



Junior Michaud



Jhon Miller



Luisa Molina



Wanda Monegro



Bryson Moore



Shaniqua Moore

"You laugh
at me
because I
am
different,
I laugh at
you
because
you are
all the
same."

Seniors

"Don't
follow
where the
path may
lead, go
instead
where
there is
no path
and leave
a trail."

Seniors



Luis Moreno



Abdul Muhammad



Ismael Munoz



Chidera Nwankwo



Margaret Opoku



Quatasia Page



Elijah Parker



Adonis Peguero



Arianna Perez



Nestor Perlera



Tykeith Petford



Krissanah Phillip



Anthony Polanco



Jose Portillo



Stephany Pulido



Casuandra Rainey



Tais Ramos



Kayla Reed



Eudomar Reyes



Elirah Rice



Shabirah Roberts



Janice Rodriguez



Karen Romero



Jahad Salter

Seniors

"Shoot for the moon, even if you miss, you will land among the stars."

Seniors

"The woman is art; a perfect expression of pain, struggle, strength, and beauty."



Onelys Santiago



Cesar Santisteban



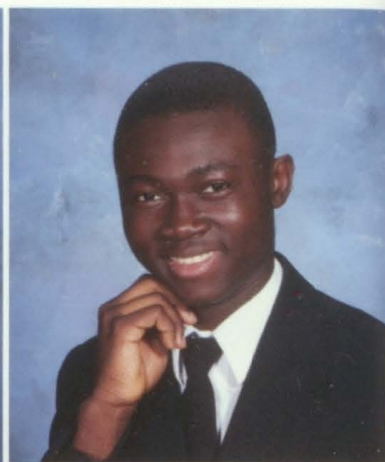
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Wendy Serrano



Ayanna Shell



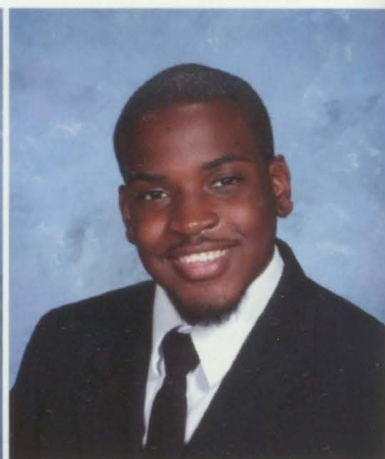
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Stherline Silencieux



Dayana Silgado



Andy Silien



Michael Simmons



Malik Simpson



Brionna Singleton



Jasmine Singleton



Shadae Smith



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Chardonnay Stephenson



Ramon Susana



Bakary Swaray



Tyree Sykes



Bianca Taylor



McKayla Taylor



Langston Tisdale II



Rashawn Tonge



Jennifer Torres

"Dream as
if you
will live
forever,
live as if
you will
die
today."

Seniors

"Love is
the
passion
that
allows you
to do
anything."

Seniors

"Nothing
safe is
worth the
drive."



Tania Torres



Alejandra Valderrabano



Diana Valdes



Jhasir Vandiver



Edwin Vasquez



Samir Venable



Radiah Washington



Selena Weatherspoon



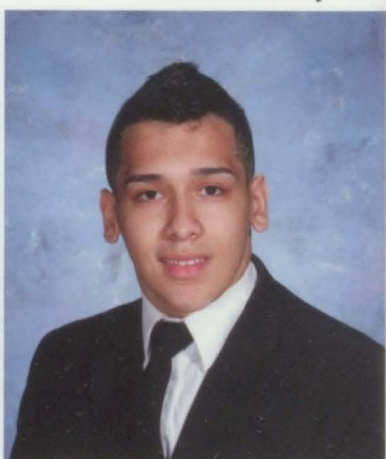
Eric Whitted-McKoy



Yadelicia Williams



Aquil Young



Jacob Zuzunaga

"Be who you are and say
what you feel because
those who mind don't
matter and those who
matter don't mind."

Senior Portraits
Camera Shy:

1. Nasir Jones
2. Egypt Thompson



**Congratulations
Graduates!**

Senior Portraits

"Good bye
everyone!
I will
remember
you all in
therapy."

Principal

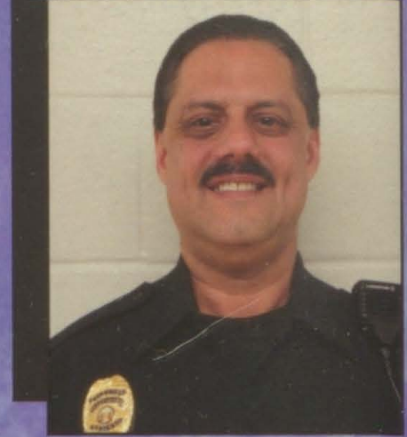


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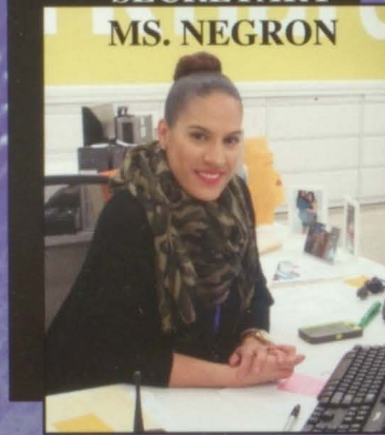
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IRVIN RODRIGUEZ



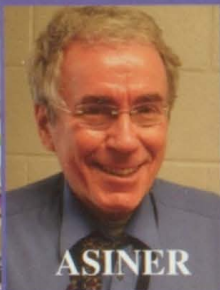
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MS. NEGRON**



MS. JOHNSON



HUNTER



ASINER



GARY



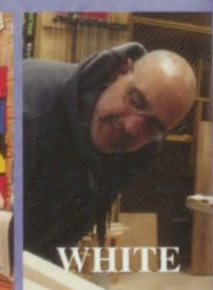
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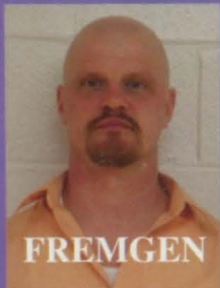
AUSON



BENTON



WHITE



FREMGEN



PERCONTINO



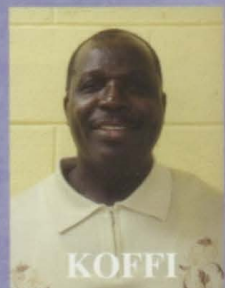
HOWARD



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PHILLIPS



KOFFI



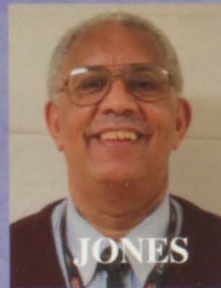
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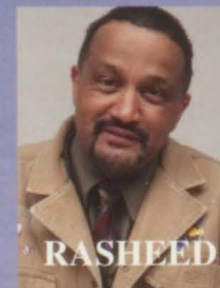
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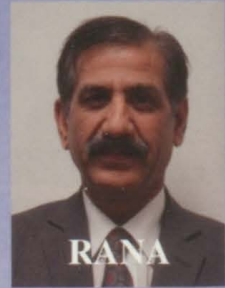
JAMES



JONES



RASHEED



RANA

Vice Principal



WAHOO BARKER



**CRISTINA
CHRISTIANO**



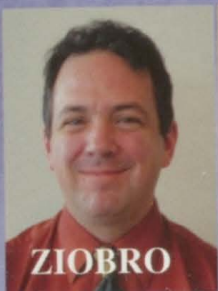
Ms. Ayisha Robinson



NURSE HAMILTON



**SECRETARY
MS. COLON**



ZIOBRO



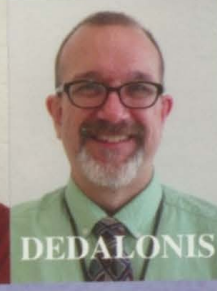
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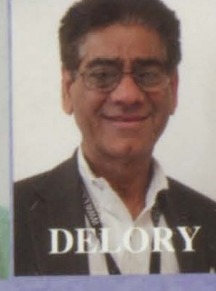
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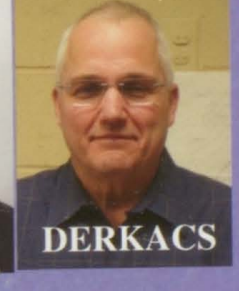
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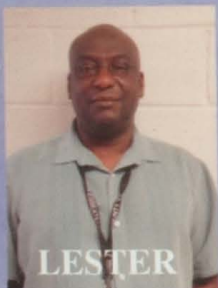
DEDALONIS



DELORY



DERKACS



LESTER



LOMBA



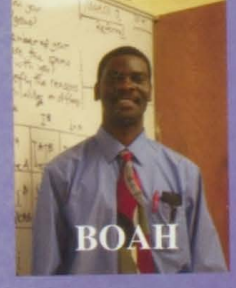
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MELLAKH



MOSSEY



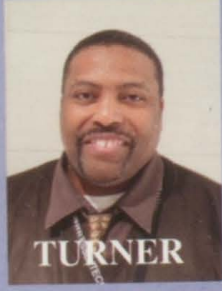
BOAH



WESHNAK



WARNOCK



TURNER



STEINBACH



SANTANA



ROCK

Guess Who ?

Senior Baby Pictures



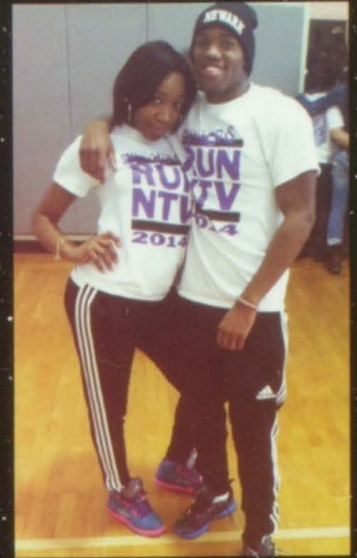


Friends Through it All ...

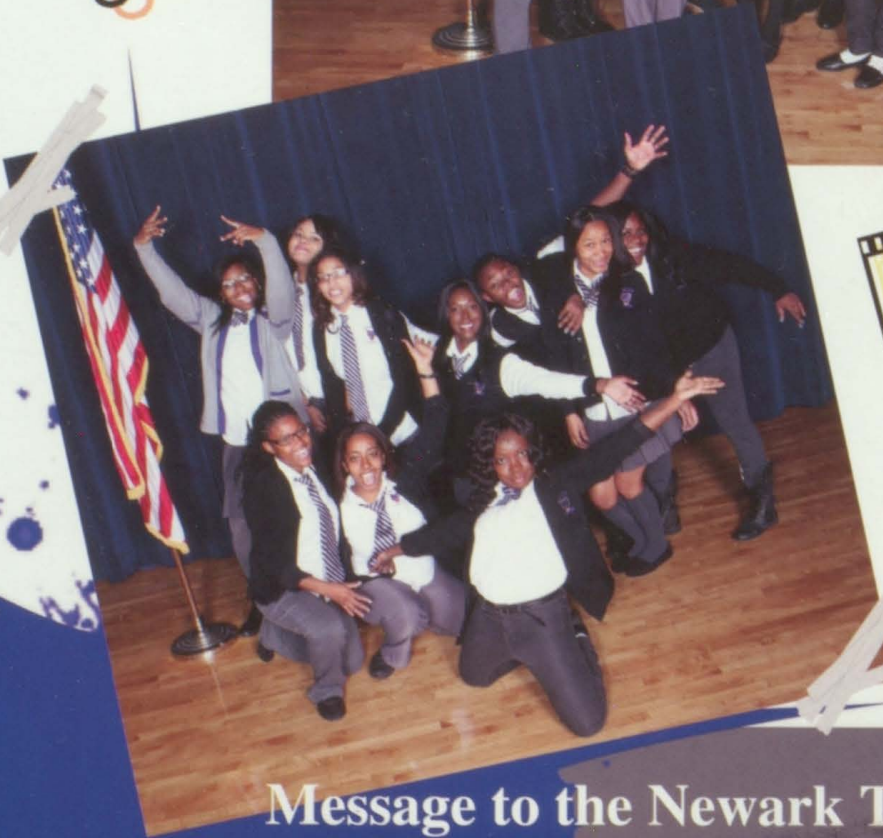


Great friends are
hard to find,
difficult to leave,
impossible to forget.





2014 Newark Tech Yearbook Committee



Message to the Newark Tech Class of 2014:

Congratulations Class!

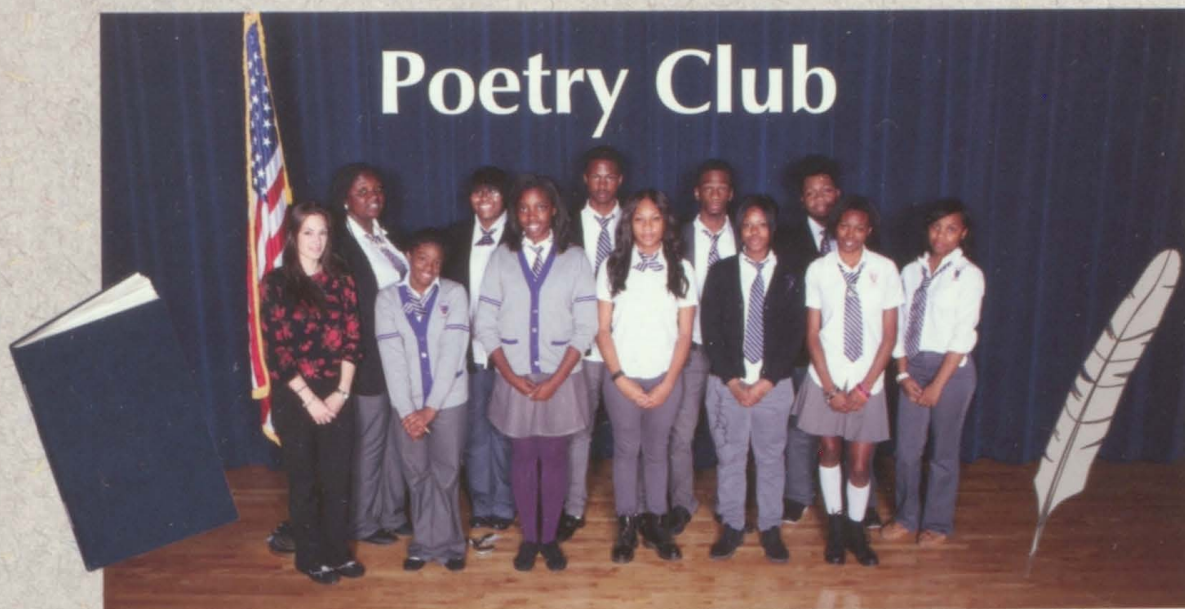
It is our hope that our hard work and collaborative efforts have given you a yearbook to remember that captures the **vivacious** and **animated spirit** of the Class of 2014!

Best of Luck to you all!

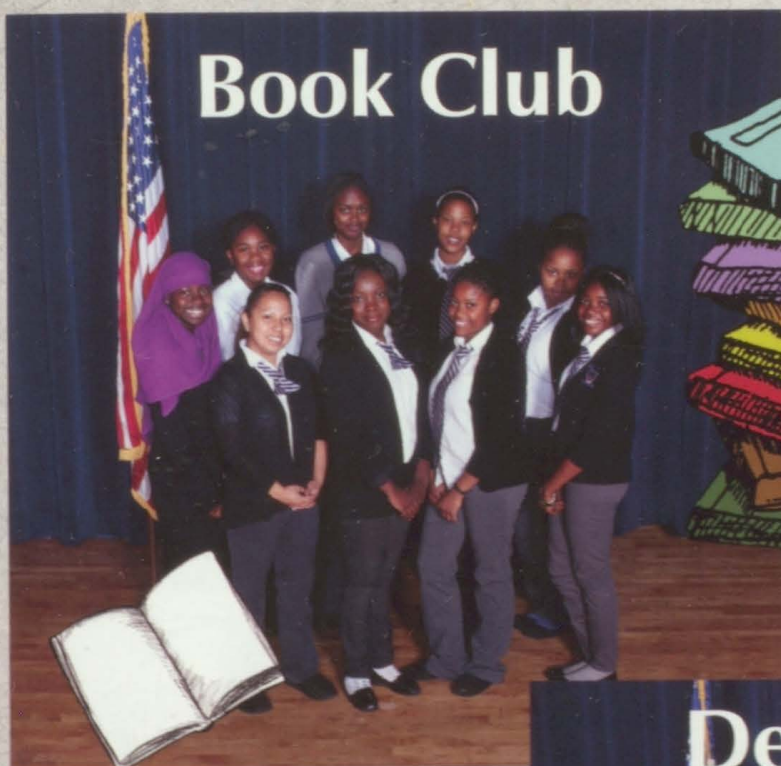
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2013- 2014 Newark Tech Clubs

Poetry Club



Book Club



Debate Team

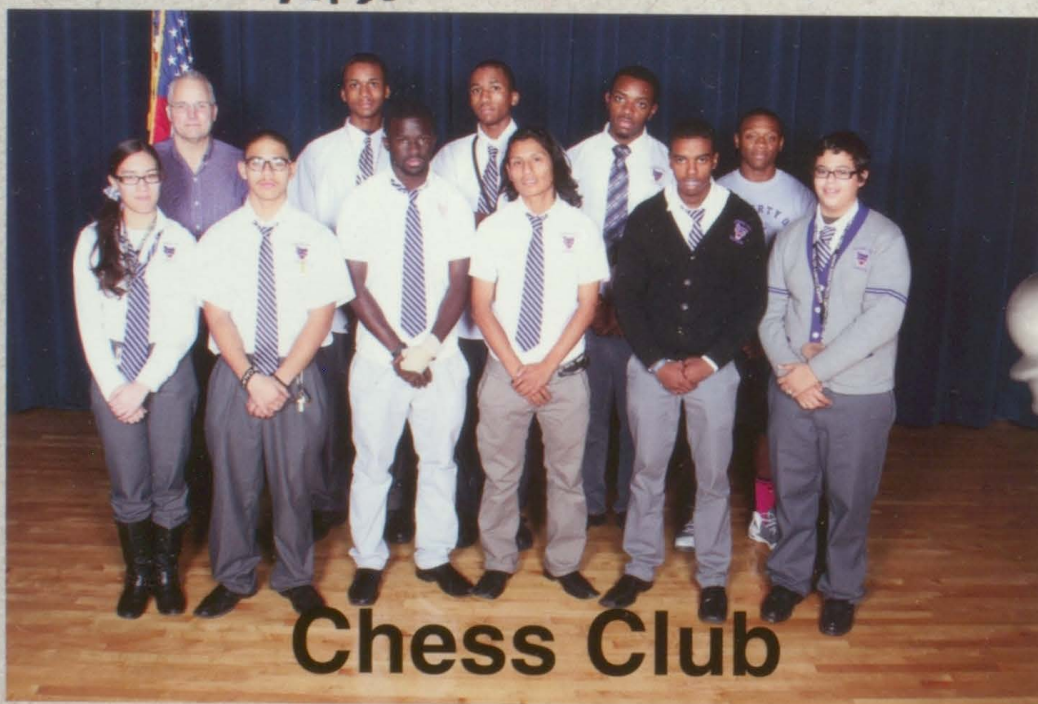




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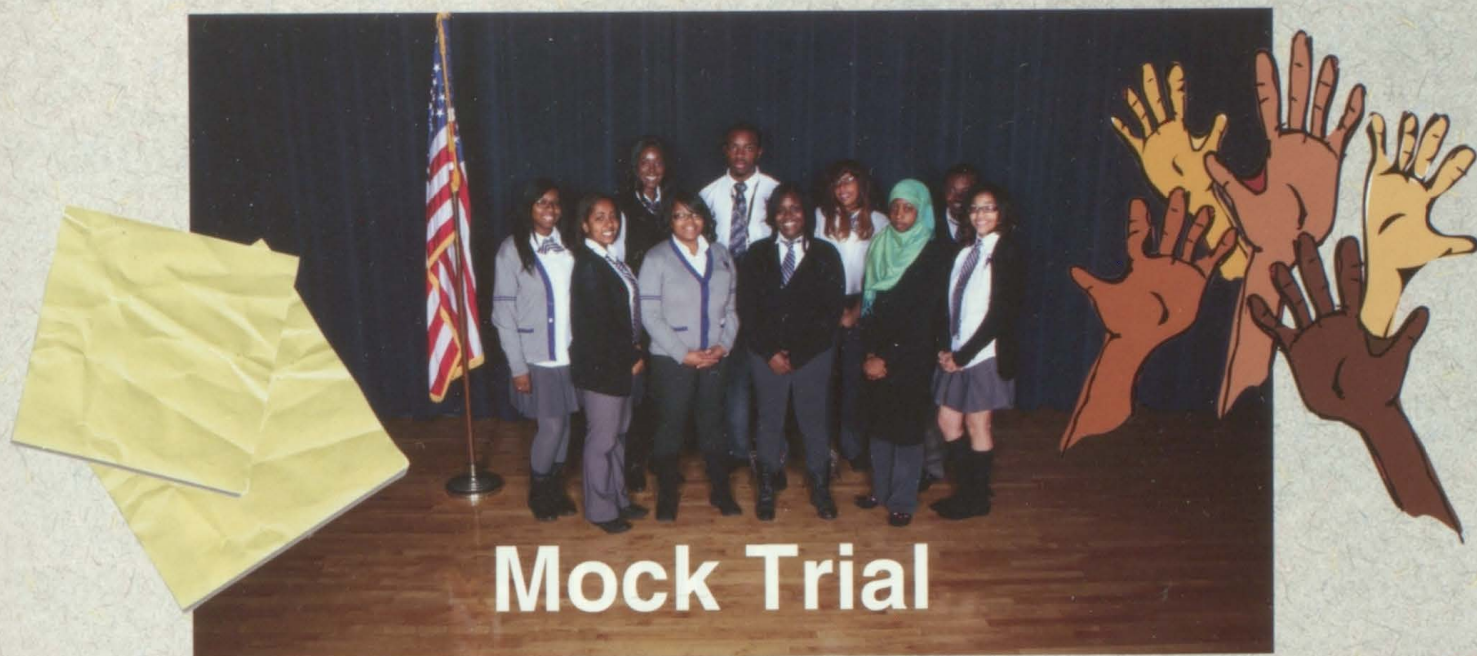


Future Business Leaders of America



Chess Club

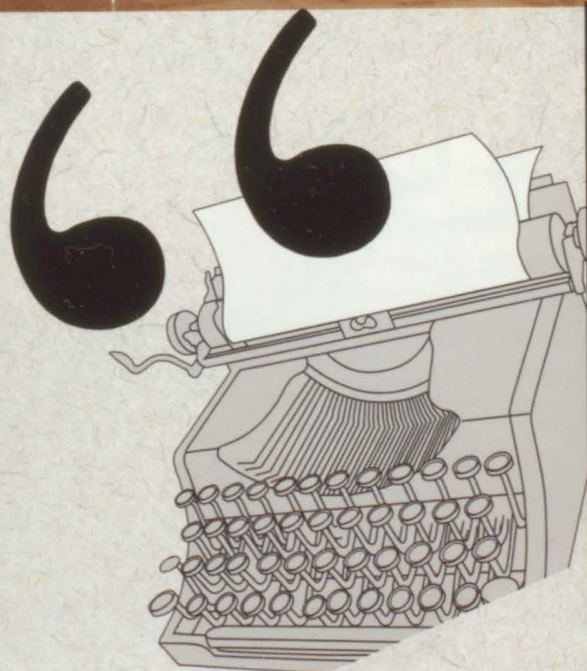




Mock Trial



Student Counsel



Newsletter Staff



Bowling Club

School Events



**N.H.S.
2014 Newark
Tech Food
Drive**



**2013 District
School Fair**

T.E.A.L. Center

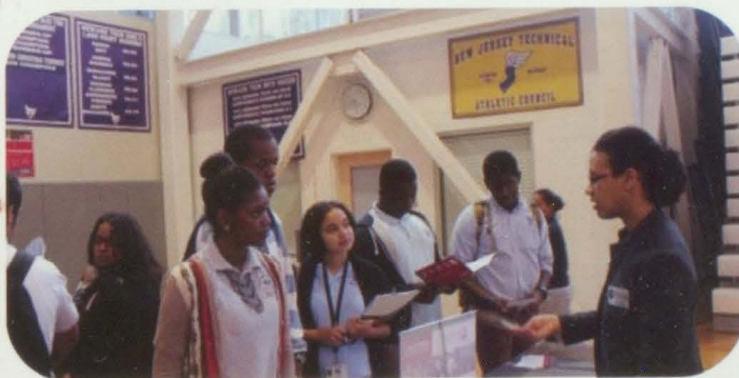
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FBLA: March of Dimes

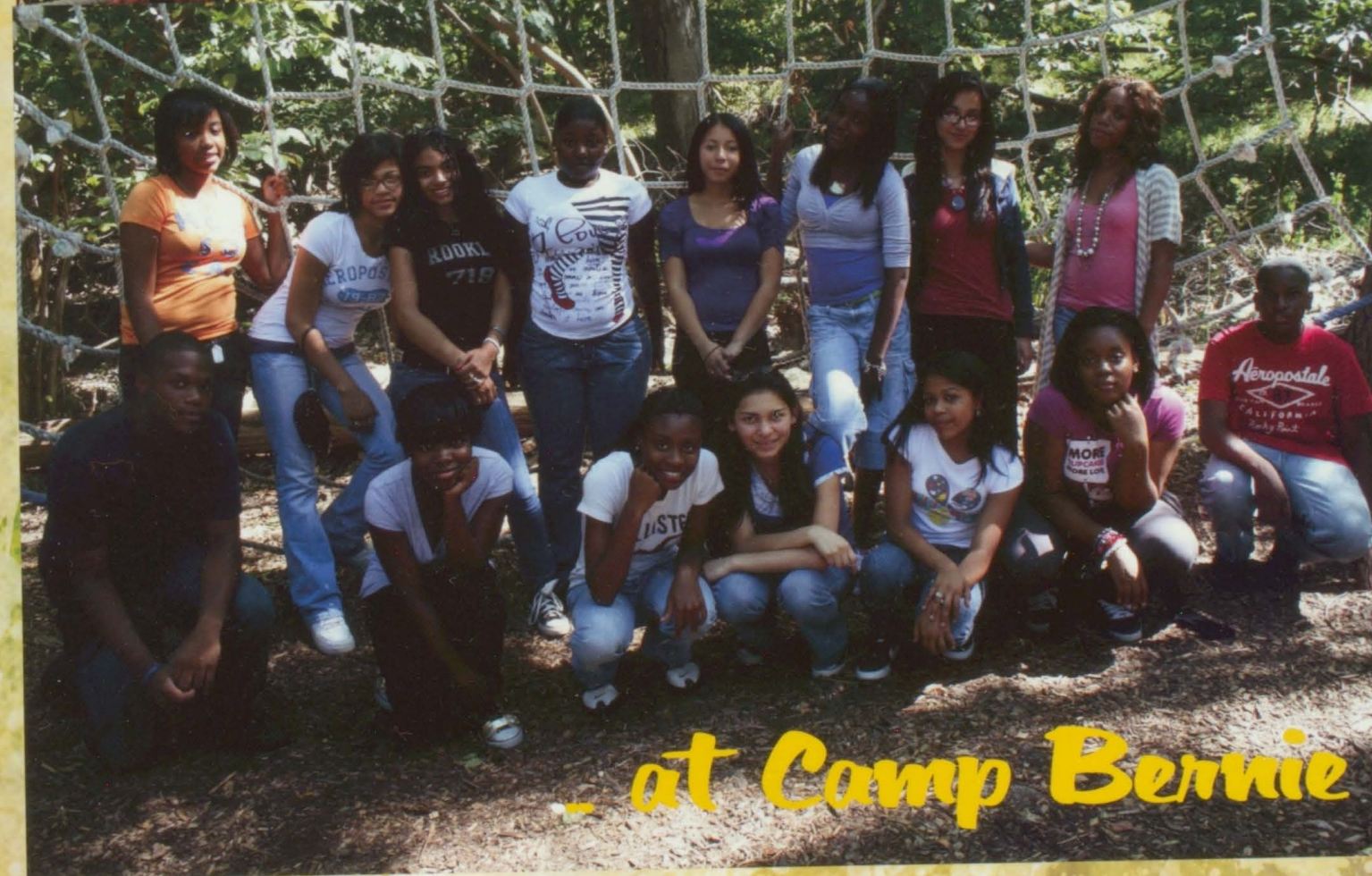


College and Career Fair



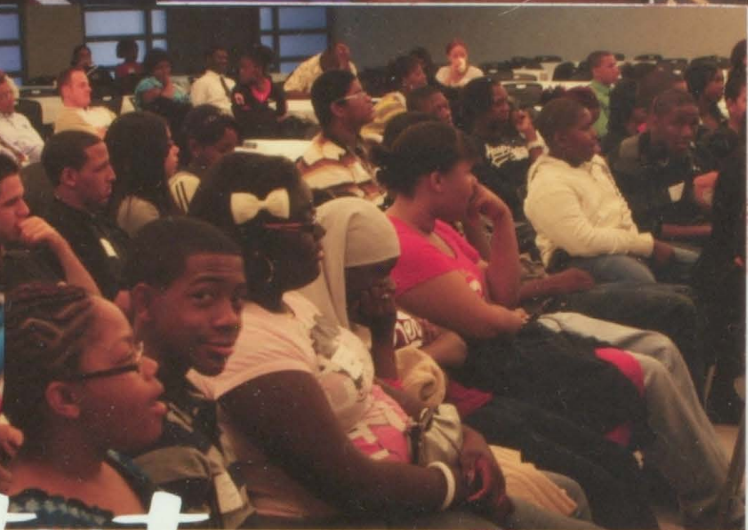
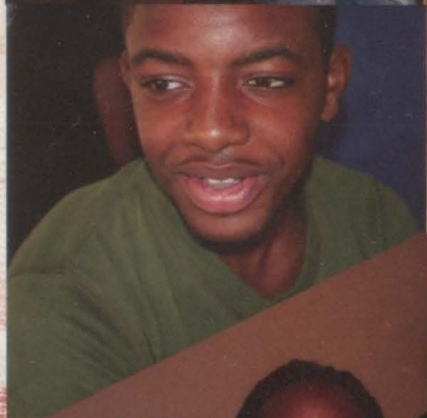
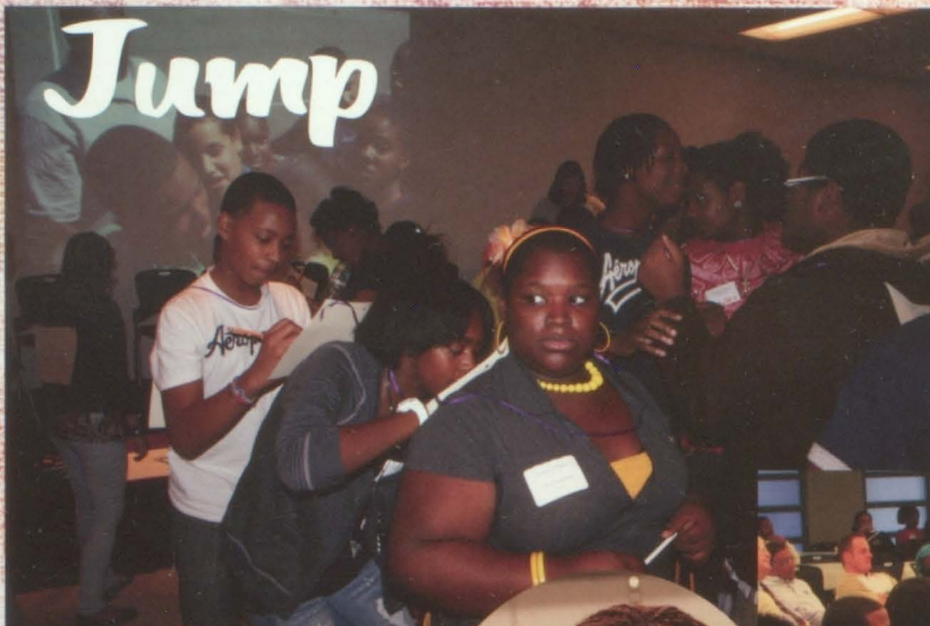
Starting Together...





at Camp Bervie

Jump



Start



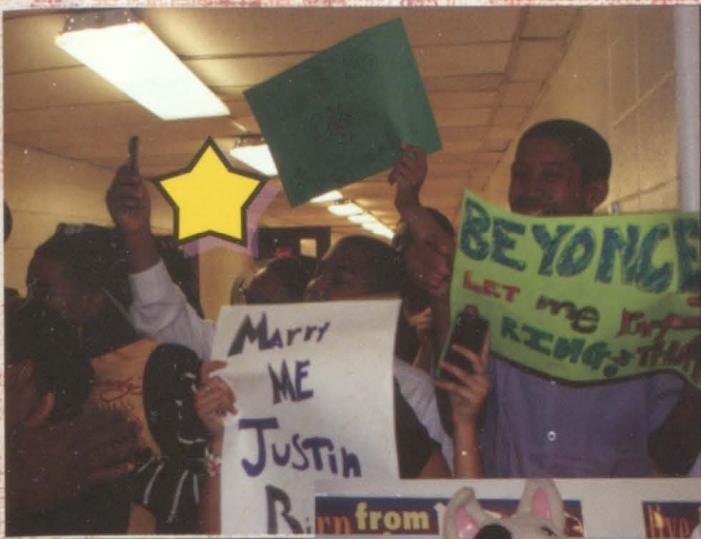
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Essex County Vocational Technical Schools

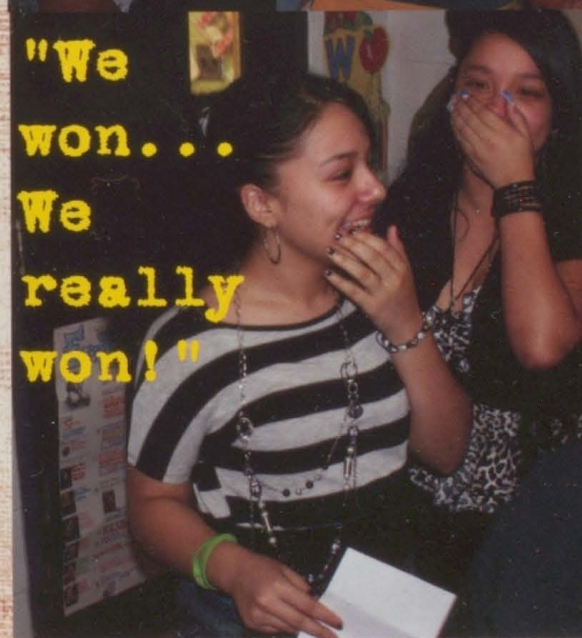
Class of
2014



Conference

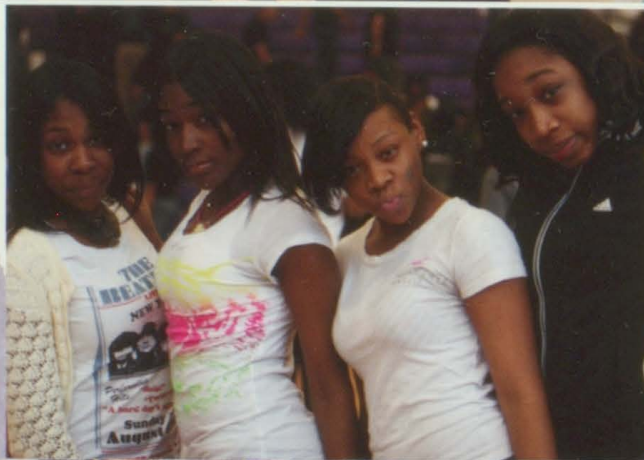


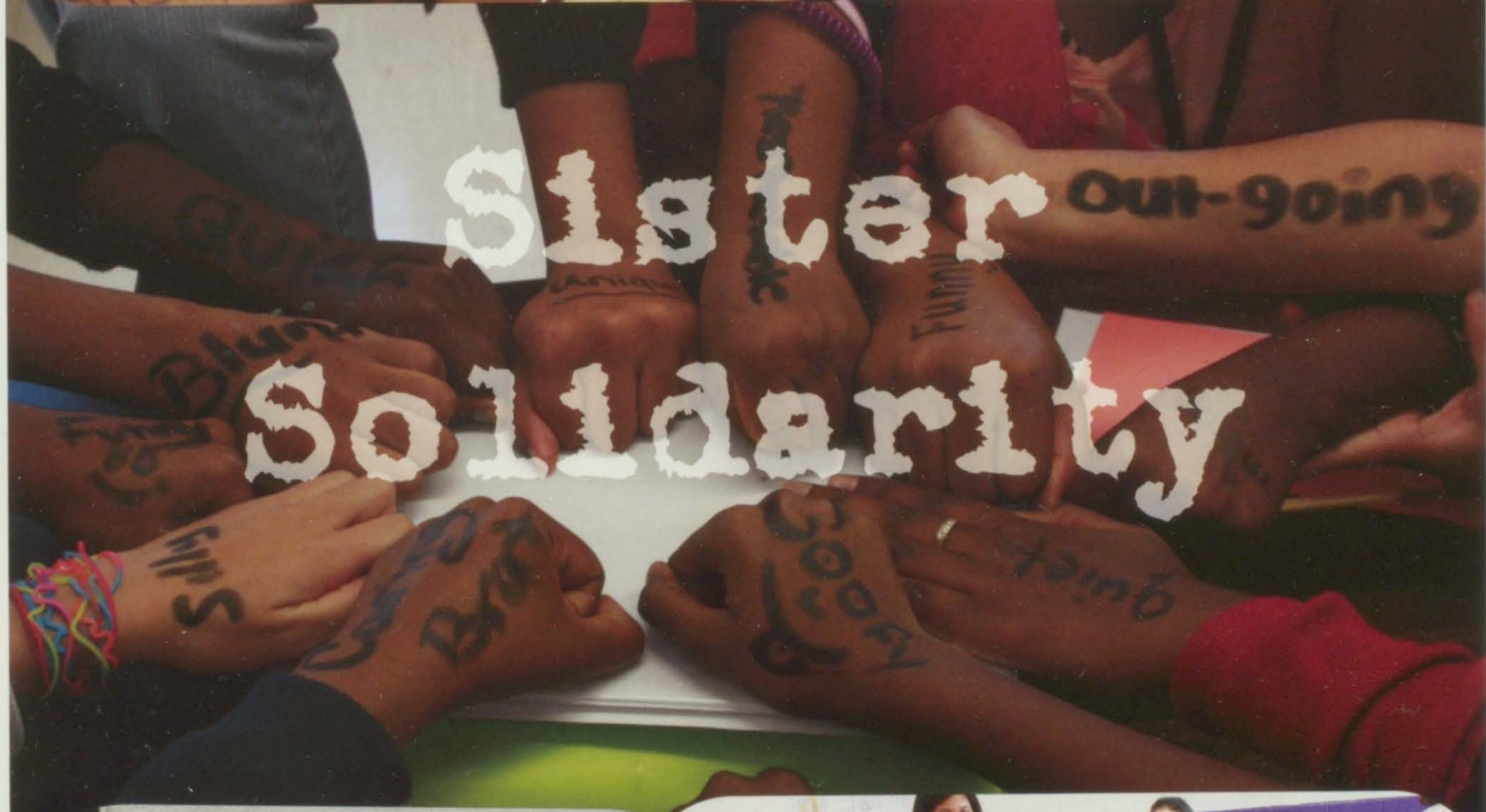
Premo Goes to Hollywood!



Sophomore Year

Pep Rally





2013-2014

FALL

PEP RALLY







Winter Pep Rally





Newark Tech Sports

2013-2014



Cheerleaders

Seniors: Quiana Barton
Shaziya Green





Volleyball Team



Seniors: Julia Barton

Kayla Reed

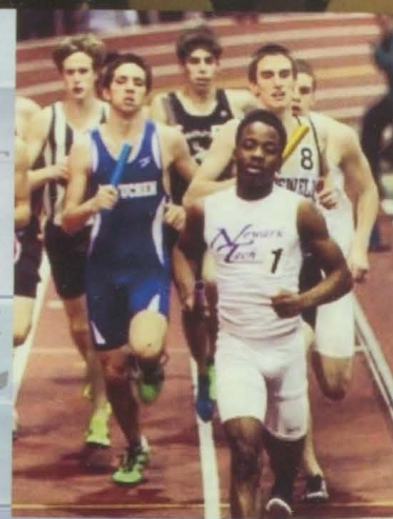


VARSITY





Seniors:
 Jenyce Baytops
 Isaiah Gardner
 Shawn James
 Casuandra Rainey
 Stherline Silencieux
 Michael Simmons
 Brionna Singleton
 Aquil Young



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VARSITY



Seniors:

Christian Ajunanchi

Margaret Opoku

Jose Peralta

Nestor Perlera

Cesar Santisteban

Bakary Swaray

Edwin Vasquez



J.V.



BASEBALL



Seniors:

Adonis Aquino

Luis Dipre

Alvin Fisher

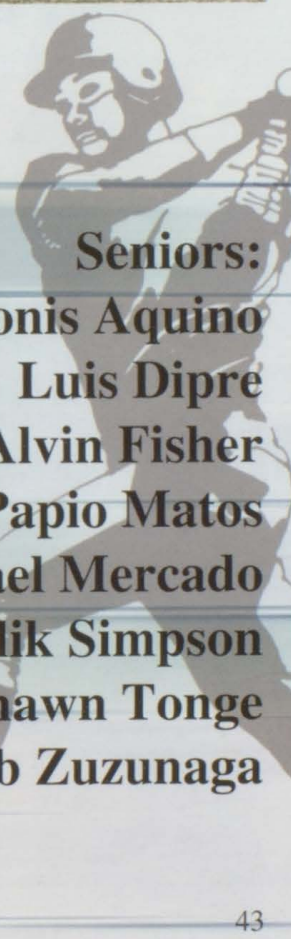
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Ismael Mercado

Malik Simpson

Rashawn Tonge

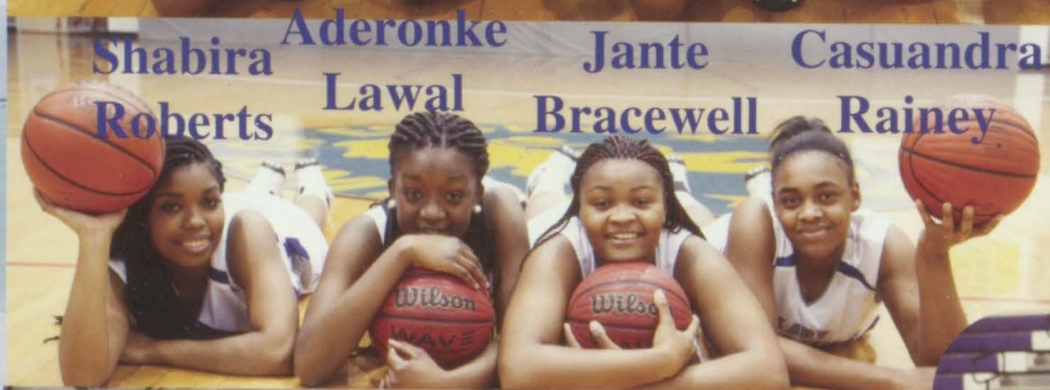
Jacob Zuzunaga





NJSIAA
SPORTSMANSHIP
AWARD
2011-2012

BASKETBALL





BOYS Basketball



Dino Boyd
Al-Tariq Halsey
Sharllon Labato
Junior Michaud
Tyree Sykes



Pajama Day & Mix Match Day

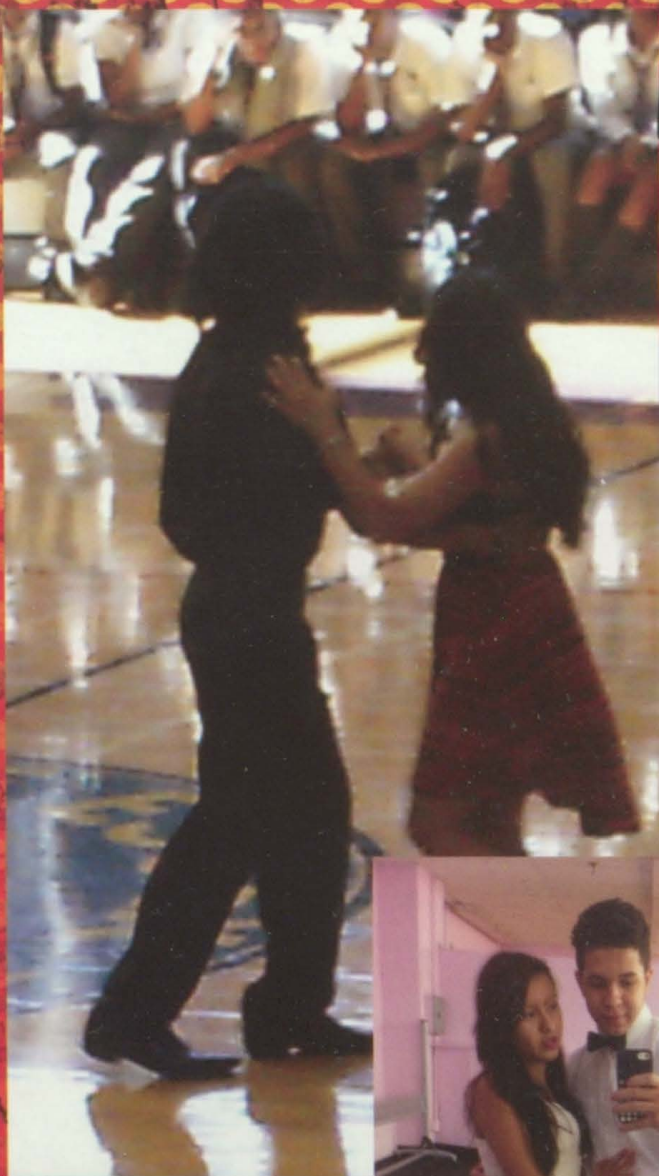




Senior



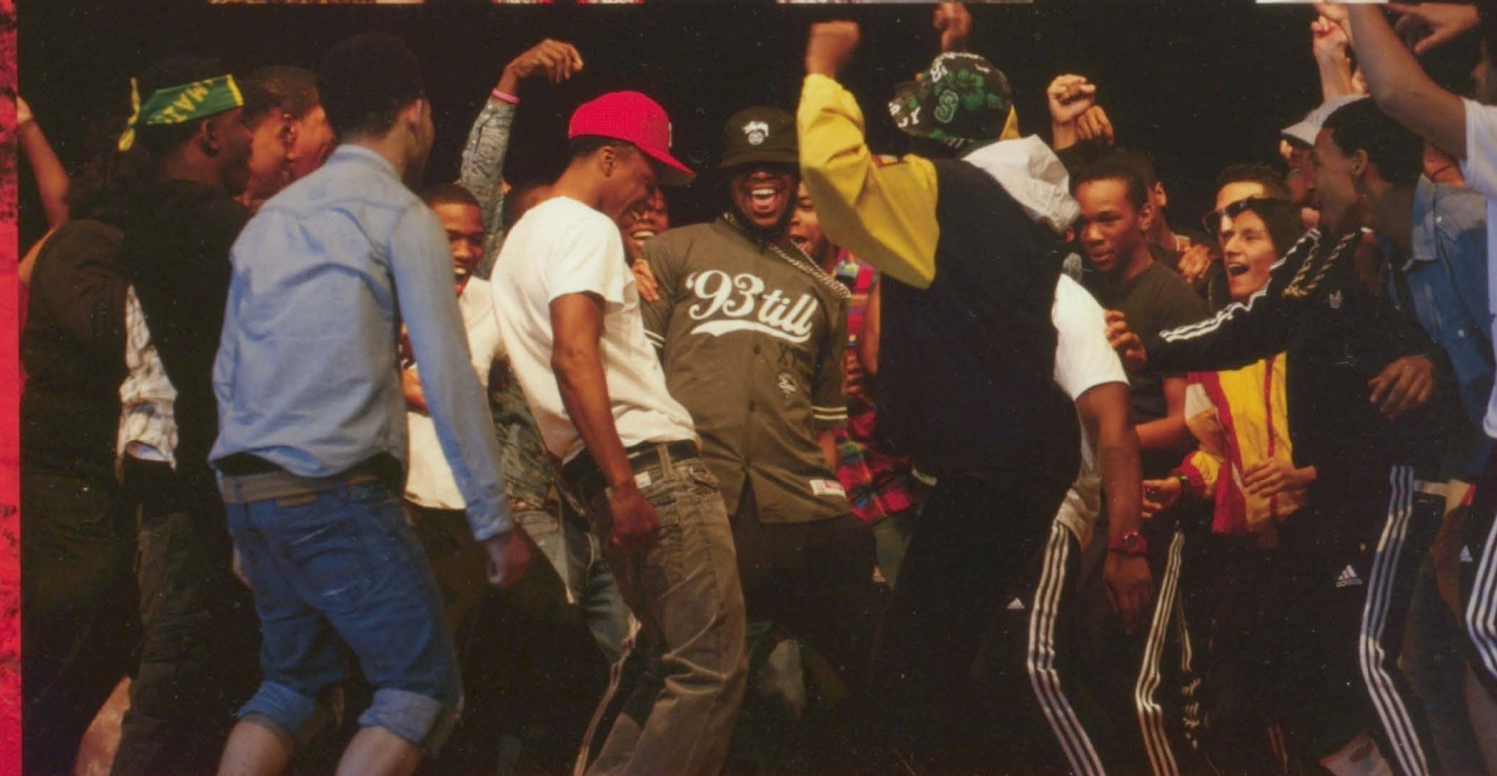
Hispanic Heritage Festivities





Black History Month







HALL OF FAME

CLASS SPIRIT

MOST
ATHLETIC



Quaniya & Ismael

BEST SMILE



Kemely & Sharllon



Jante
&
Tyree

SENIORS 2014

SENIORS 2014

CUTEST
COUPLE

MOST CREATIVE



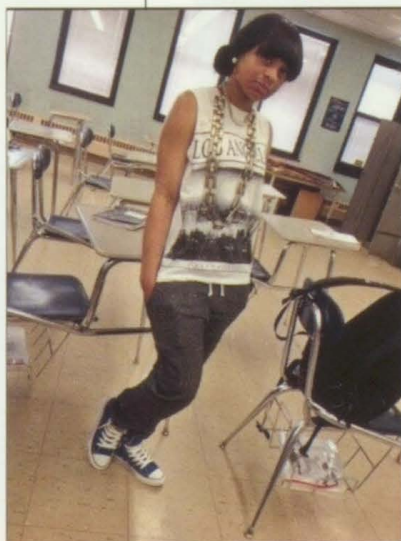
Iris & Anthony

MOST TALENTED

Tatyana & Cesar



Bianca
&
David



HALL OF FAME

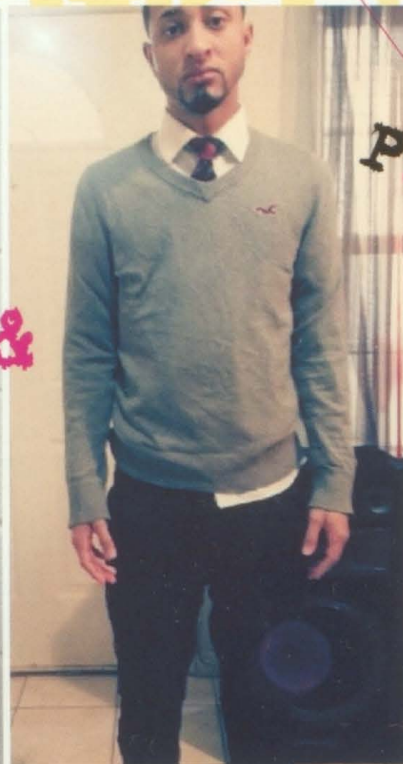
HALL OF FAME

BEST LOOKING

Chardonnay



&



Papio



MOST DRAMATIC

Jahad

&

Angelica



SENIORS 2014

SENIORS 2014



MOST CHANGED

Jennifer

&

Omar



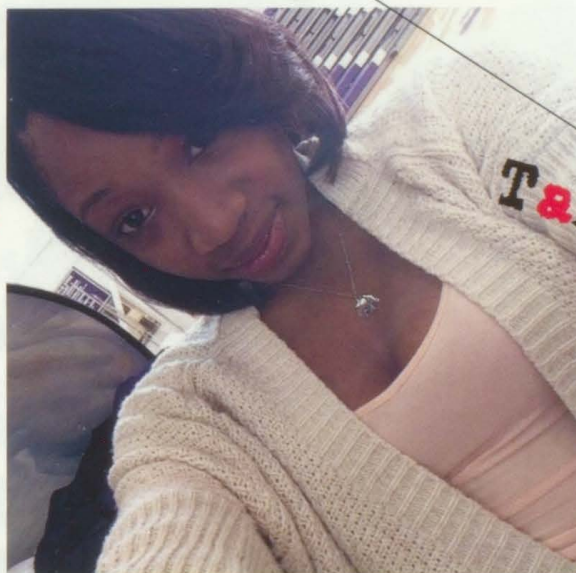
CLASS LOUDEST

Matthew



&

Tamina



HALL OF FAME

HALL OF FAME

Isaiah



CLASS
CLOWNS

&



Shavonna



Joao

BEST
LAUGH

&



Zhane

SENIORS 2014

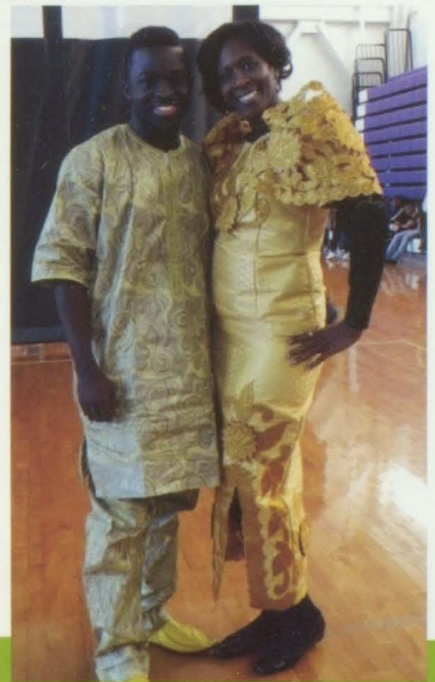
SENIORS 2014

MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED:

CLASS OF 2014

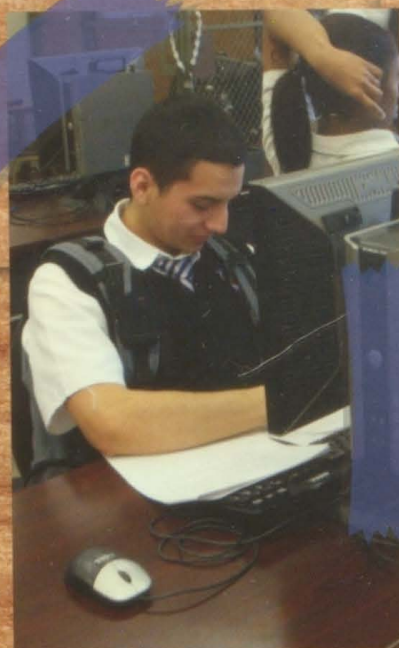
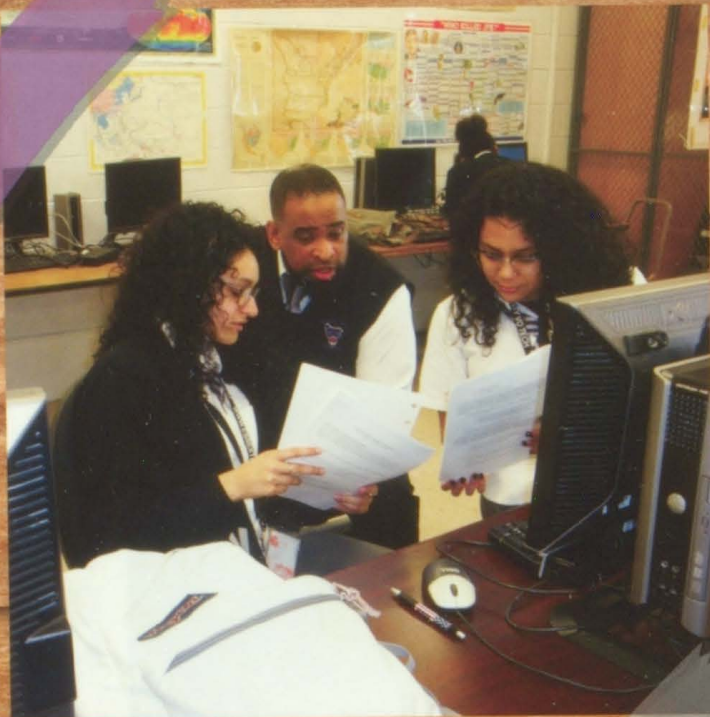


A special thank you and our greatest appreciation for Ms. LaDonna Young and the tremendous efforts she has made to capture our journey and memories through out our years here at Newark Tech. Thank you for the memories!

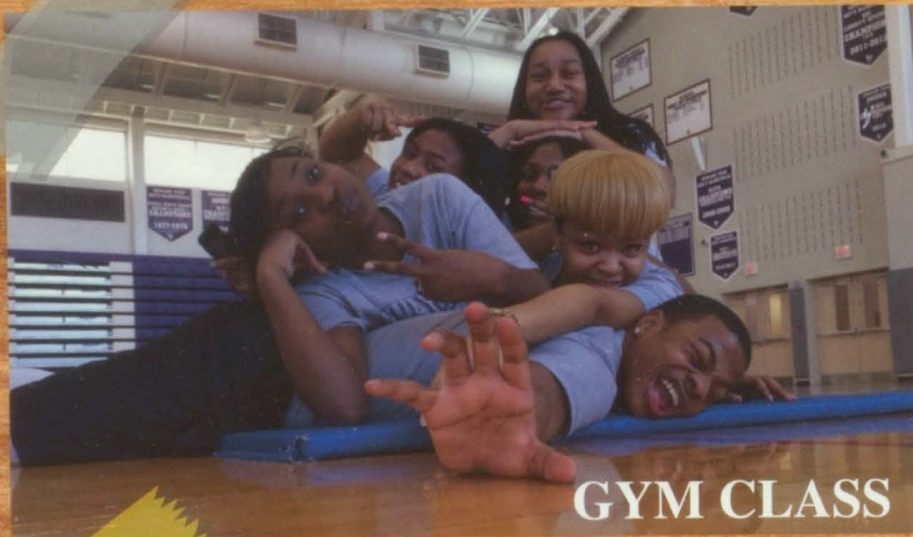
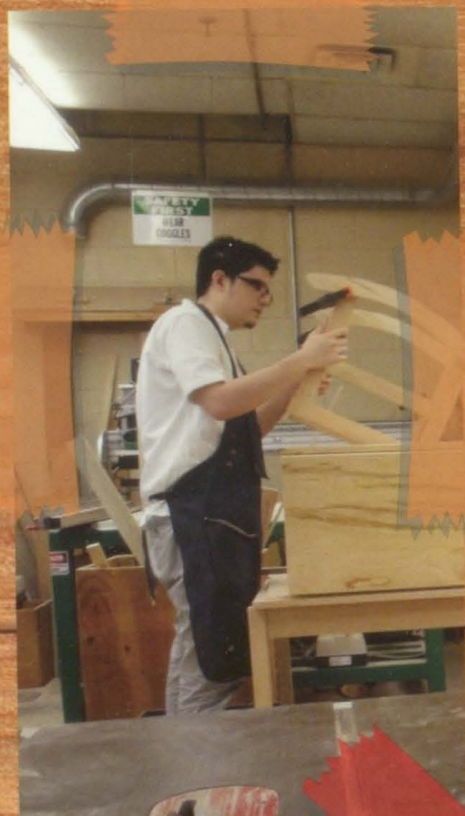


HALL OF FAME

WORKING HARD ...

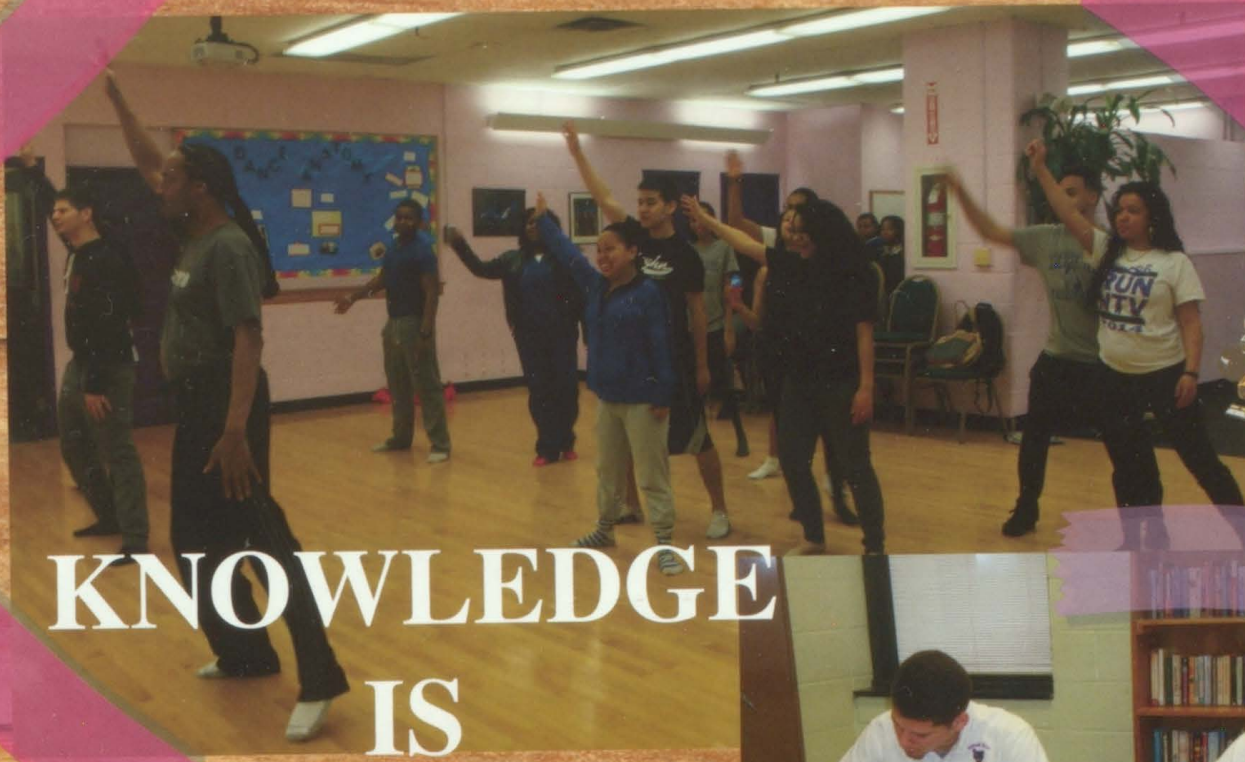


**WEIGHT OF THE WORLD ON
OUR SHOULDERS.....**

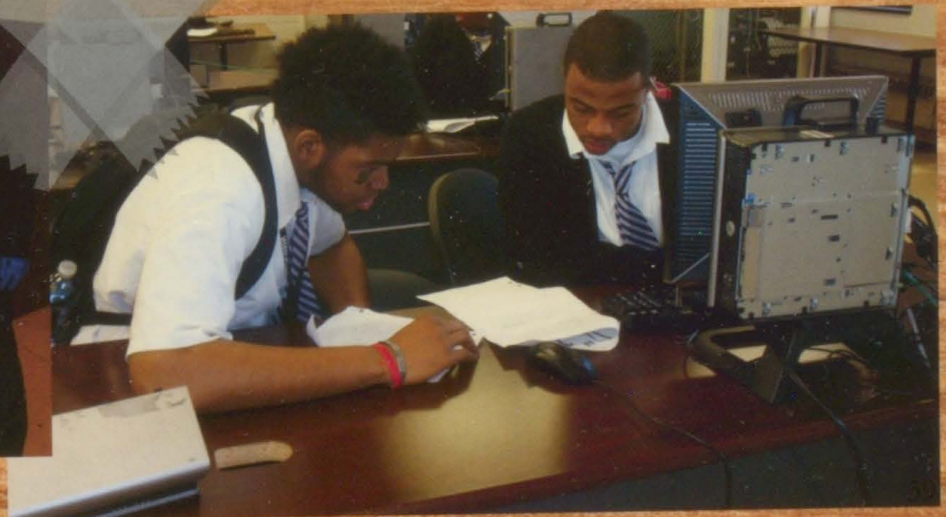
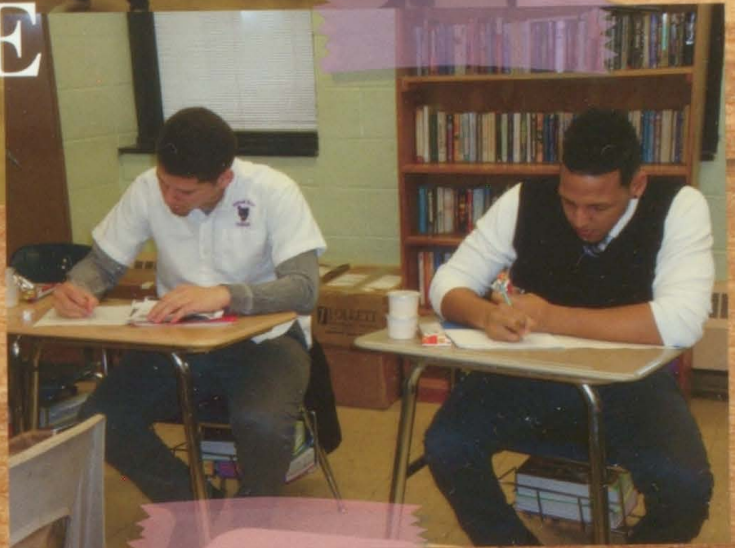


GYM CLASS





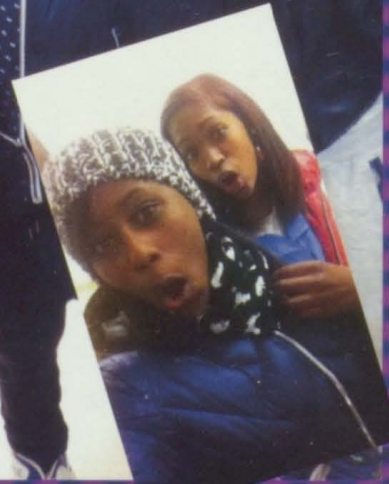
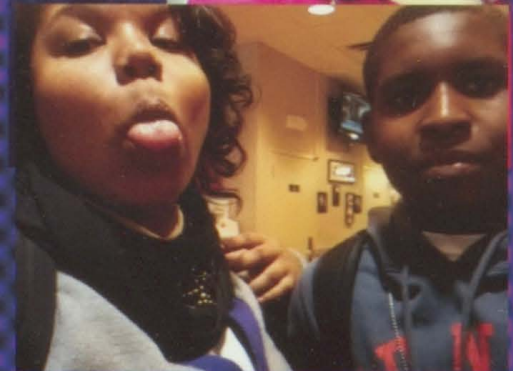
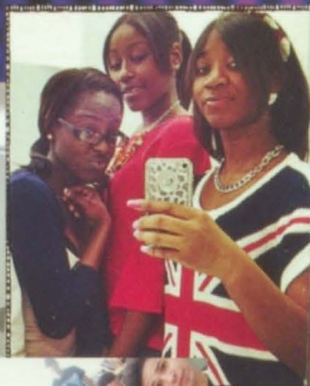
KNOWLEDGE IS POWER!



But first ...



...Let me take a Selfie



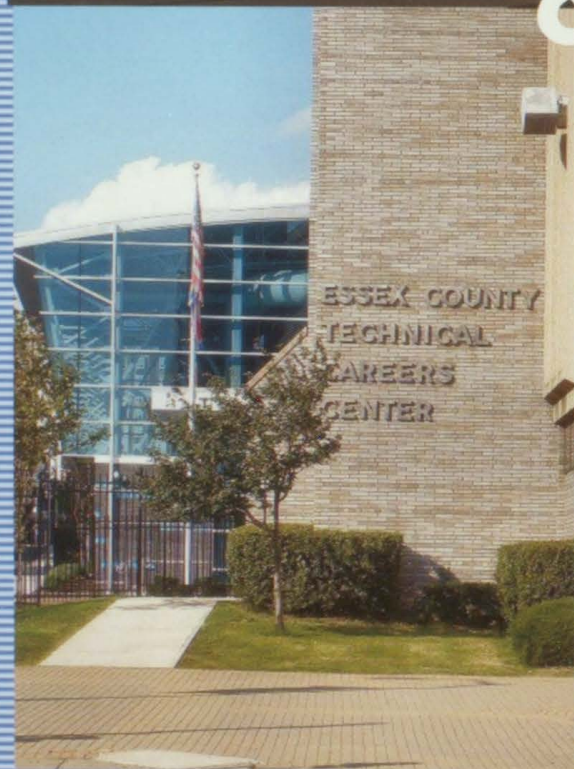




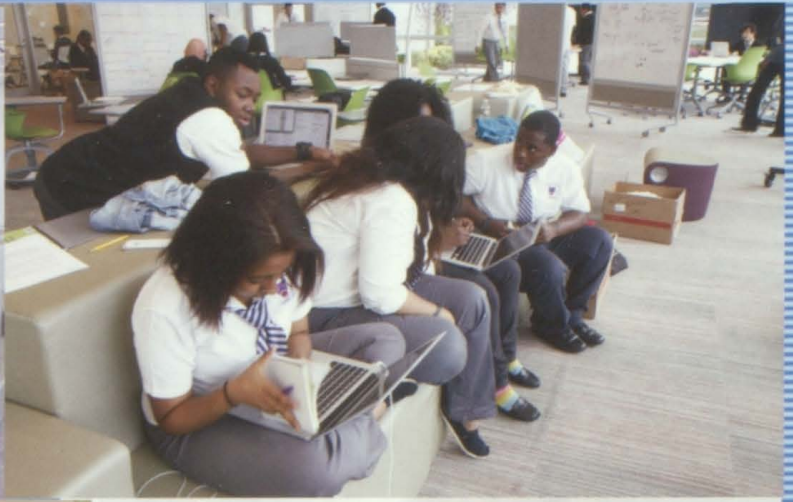
Before



&



After



Goodbye Seniors...

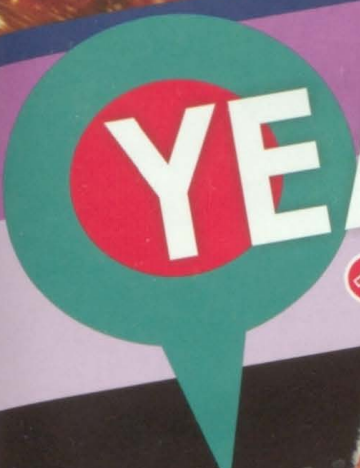


"The key is to listen to your heart and let it carry you in the direction of your dreams. It is possible to set your sights high and achieve your dreams and do it with integrity, character, and love. And each day that you are moving toward your dreams without compromising who you are, you're winning."

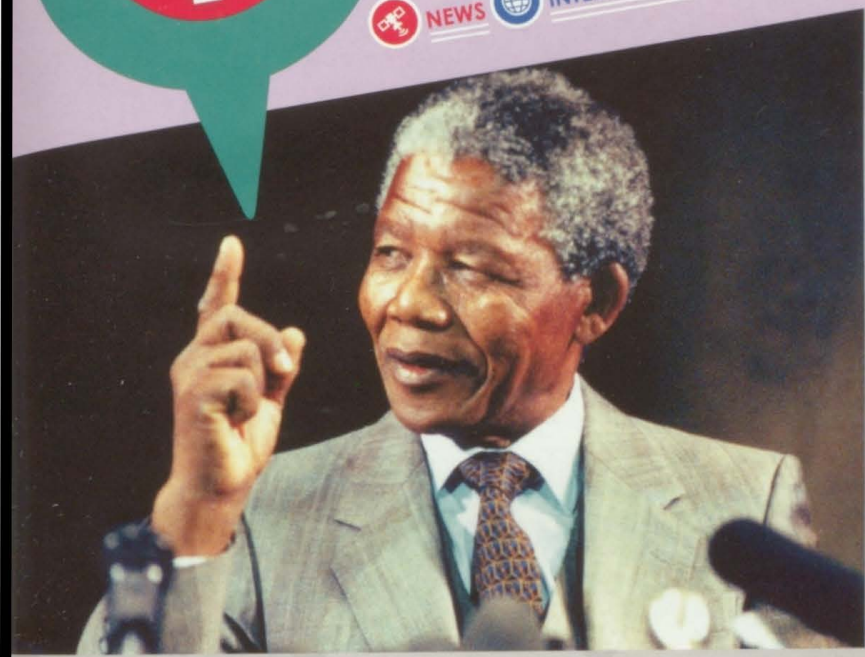
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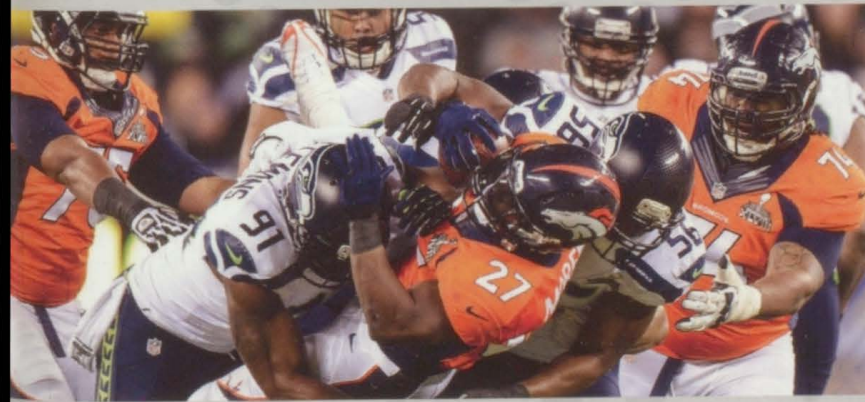
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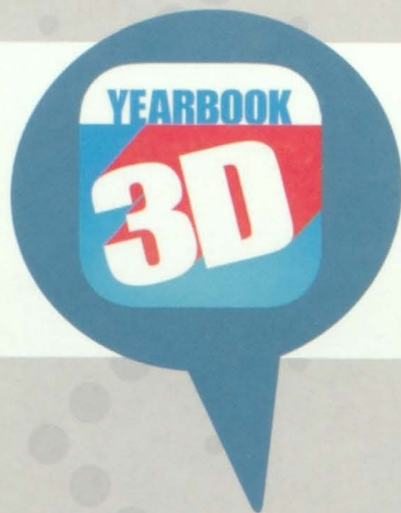


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POP STAR BEYONCÉ shocked the world by releasing a surprise self-titled album at midnight on Dec. 13. Despite no prior promotion, "Beyoncé" sold more than a million copies in the first week.



BALD EAGLES began dying in northern and central Utah before wildlife experts figured out the cause – West Nile Virus. Officials believed the eagles died after eating dead birds that had the virus. The deaths were not expected to reduce the bald eagle population.



NASA ANNOUNCED that after 36 years in space, its Voyager 1 probe had officially left our solar system, making it the first man-made object to do so. Voyager 1 was expected to continue operating and sending back data outside our solar system for 15 more years before it runs out of power.



THE U.S. GOVERNMENT SHUT DOWN in October while Congress argued about how to pay for running it.



Length of government shutdown



Number of federal workers sent home without pay (they did get back pay)



Estimated economic loss to the U.S. (Standard and Poor's)



Estimated economic loss from closed national parks (National Park Service)

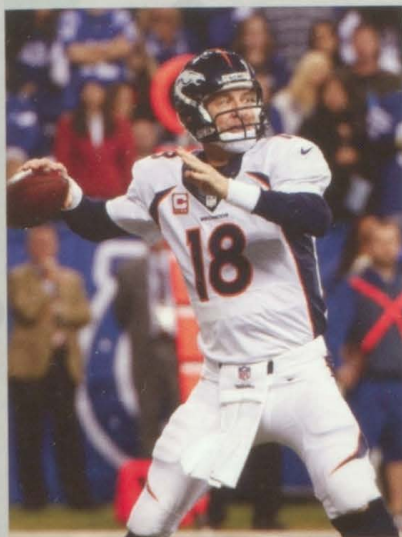


Dozens of organized protests occurred at closed federal parks





DENVER QUARTERBACK PEYTON MANNING put together one of the greatest seasons in NFL history. Manning finished with 5,477 yards passing and 55 touchdowns, both NFL single-season records.



RESEARCH SHOWED teen usage of Facebook was decreasing, as kids continued to migrate toward other social networks like Twitter, Instagram and Snapchat.



IN EARLY JANUARY, much of the country from the central and upper Midwest to the Northeast and into the South was struck by a polar vortex – a blast of dense, frigid polar air. The polar vortex lasted nearly a week and caused record low temps that created the coldest blast of air in 20 years.

NELSON MANDELA

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NELSON MANDELA, who worked to end racial segregation called apartheid in South Africa, died at age 95. Mandela spent 27 years in prison for conspiracy, and when freed, helped to lead his country to equality and served as South Africa's president from 1994-1999.



CELEBRITY DEATHS

FANS WERE SHOCKED and saddened by celebrity deaths during the year. Paul Walker (pictured), star of the "Fast & Furious" movies, was killed in a car crash. Other celebs who died included Cory Monteith, who played Finn on the TV show "Glee," actor Philip Seymour Hoffman and rock star Lou Reed.



SAN FRANCISCO WAS SAVED from the Penguin and Riddler on Nov. 15 when Miles Scott, 5, was granted his wish by the Make A Wish Foundation. With his leukemia in remission, Miles became Batkid and joined a life-size Batman to battle the villains across the city. Hundreds of volunteers made the event happen.



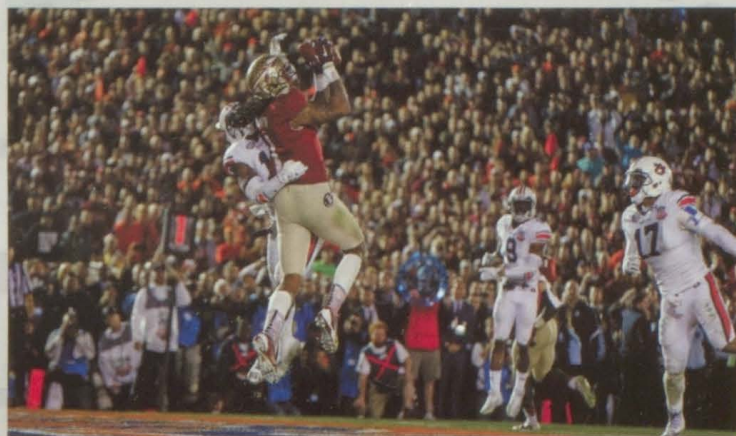
THE MARVEL SUPER HERO UNIVERSE continued to be as popular as ever. "Iron Man 3" was the highest grossing movie of 2013, and "Thor: The Dark World" was a huge hit in the fall. "Agents of S.H.I.E.L.D." was one of the highest-rated new shows on TV.



A RUSSIAN RESEARCH SHIP got stuck in ice off Antarctica, and after ships from Australia and China tried to free them, the 52 passengers on board were rescued by helicopter after 10 days. The crew stayed with the ship, which was on a mission to study global warming.



FLORIDA STATE'S KELVIN BENJAMIN caught a touchdown pass from Heisman Trophy-winning quarterback Jameis Winston with 13 seconds left, which allowed the Seminoles to defeat Auburn, 34-31, in college football's BCS National Championship Game. Florida State fell behind 21-3 in the first half before rallying to win.



THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT, known to many as Obamacare, launched in October, only to be stalled by a poorly functioning website. Officials scrambled to fix the problems, since Americans had until March 31 to sign up for a health care plan if they didn't have one, or they would be fined.



THE SEATTLE SEAHAWKS DOMINATED Super Bowl XLVIII at MetLife Stadium in New Jersey, defeating the Denver Broncos 43-8. The game featured Seattle's league-best defense against Denver's top-rated offense led by quarterback Peyton Manning, but the game turned into a mismatch as the Seahawks raced to a 22-0 halftime lead. The victory was the first Super Bowl win in franchise history for Seattle.

POPULAR JERSEYS

These were the best-selling jerseys of the year in the major sports.



NFL - COLIN KAEPERNICK

MLB - MARIANO RIVERA

NBA - LEBRON JAMES

NHL - SIDNEY CROSBY

Sources: Yahoo, MLB.com, CBSsports.com



MOST DOWNLOADED SONGS OF THE YEAR

1 **MACKLEMORE & RYAN LEWIS** Thrift Shop

2 **ROBIN THICKE** Blurred Lines

3 **IMAGINE DRAGONS** Radioactive

4 **P!NK** Just Give Me a Reason

5 **MACKLEMORE & RYAN LEWIS** Can't Hold Us

Source: iTunes



GOOGLE REVEALED its latest technology innovation with Google Glass, a thin, head-mounted computer that users can wear like a pair of glasses. Glass users can connect to the internet with voice commands and take pictures and videos of the world around them, wherever they are.



PHIL MICKELSON birdied four of the last six holes and shot a final round 66 to win the 2013 British Open, the fifth major championship of his career.



WORD OF THE YEAR **SELFIE**



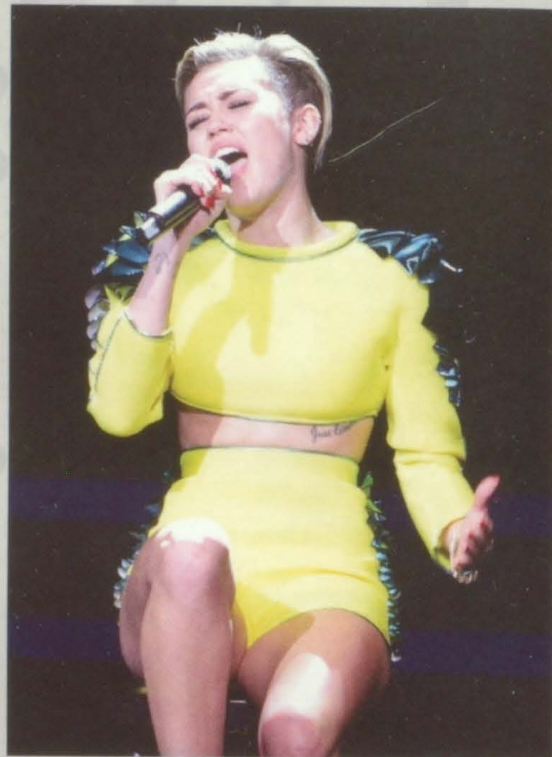
SELFIE IS THE OXFORD DICTIONARIES WORD OF THE YEAR.

The noun describes a "photograph that one has taken of oneself, typically with a smartphone or webcam and uploaded to a social media website," something many people did this year.

Photo credit: Shutterstock



MILEY CYRUS WAS EVERYWHERE. The song "Wrecking Ball" off her latest hit album debuted at number one, and the song's video got nearly 400 million views on YouTube. Cyrus also turned in a wild performance at MTV's Video Music Awards and hosted "Saturday Night Live."



TARGET CUSTOMERS WERE ALERTED that their credit card information, plus some pin numbers, were stolen between Nov. 27, Black Friday, and Dec. 15. Target estimated that the massive theft possibly affected up to 110 million credit card accounts.



BRITAIN'S ANDY MURRAY, who was already the defending U.S. Open champ, became a national hero in England when he defeated Novak Djokovic to win Wimbledon. Murray became the first British man to win his home country's major tournament in 77 years.

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POP STAR JUSTIN TIMBERLAKE released not one, but two, hit albums. Both "The 20/20 Experience" and "The 20/20 Experience – 2 of 2" debuted at the top of sales charts and kicked off a new nationwide tour.



CONCUSSIONS IN FOOTBALL, particularly with young players, became a growing topic of debate. More studies showed that the health risks associated with concussions could be extremely damaging. The NFL reached a \$765 million lawsuit settlement with former players regarding the health impacts of concussions.



3D PRINTING TECHNOLOGY became more widely commercially available. The technique, often used for prototyping in engineering and design, allowed users to create a solid 3D object from a digital model.



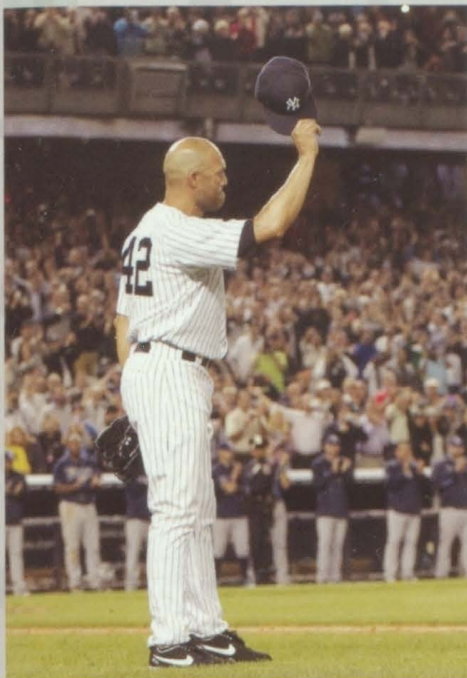
ANTI-BACTERIAL SOAP MAY NOT BE A GOOD THING. The Federal Drug Administration warned that the chemical triclosan in such soaps may be harmful. The FDA proposed a rule requiring makers of antibacterial soaps and body washes to prove the products were safe and more effective than plain soap and water.



POPE FRANCIS, known as the People's Pope, spent his first year reinvigorating the Roman Catholic church. As a result, he was named *Time* magazine's Person of the Year. Pope Francis even was honored in graffiti as a super hero on a Rome building the same week he was profiled in *Rolling Stone* magazine.



CONSIDERED BY MANY TO BE THE GREATEST RELIEF PITCHER EVER, Mariano Rivera of the New York Yankees retired after a 19-year career. The 13-time All-Star finished with 652 saves, a major league baseball record.



TOP MOVIES

THE HUNGER GAMES: CATCHING FIRE

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IRON MAN 3

2

DESPICABLE ME 2

3

FROZEN

4

MAN OF STEEL

5

Source: boxofficemojo.com



FRENCH ELECTRONIC GROUP DAFT PUNK

hit the mainstream in the U.S. when their album "Random Access Memories," won Album of the Year at the Grammys, while the song "Get Lucky" won Record of the Year. The duo, known for wearing robot outfits, performed with Stevie Wonder at the awards show.



"THE HUNGER GAMES: CATCHING FIRE," the second movie in the popular sci-fi adventure series, hit theaters and became a box office smash. The film set records for the biggest opening in November and over Thanksgiving weekend.



DRIVER JIMMIE JOHNSON won seven races on the way to his sixth NASCAR Cup Series Championship. It was Johnson's first Cup victory since he won five in a row between 2006-2010.



KATY PERRY RELEASED HER LATEST ALBUM "Prism," and the first single, "Roar," became a number one hit. Perry made plans for a 2014 world tour and she reached social media icon status by becoming the first person to gain 50 million followers on Twitter.



IT WAS QUITE A YEAR FOR BRUNO MARS, who won Best Pop Vocal Album at the Grammys for "Unorthodox Jukebox." Mars later headlined the halftime show at the Super Bowl, which was watched by a record 111 million viewers.



ECONOMIST JANET YELLEN became the Federal Reserve chairman Feb. 1 when Ben Bernanke stepped down, becoming the first woman in that leadership position. Yellen had served on the Federal Reserve System board and on the Council of Economic Advisers.



MOST POPULAR FAST FOOD CHAINS



Source: QSR magazine



BURGER KING INTRODUCED SATISFRIES, a clever name for its reduced-fat-and-calorie French fries. Reviews on taste were generally good. The fast-food chain said Satisfries were cooked the same way as regular fries, but they absorbed less grease during cooking.



AVIATION COMPANY TERRAFUGIA held the first public tests of its flying car, called the Transition. The two-person vehicle is capable of converting from a car to an airplane and back, and is still in development.



THE CONTROL-ALT-DELETE function to log on to PCs was a mistake. That's what Bill Gates, Microsoft founder, said in a Q&A session at Harvard that was posted to YouTube. Gates said an IBM keyboard designer didn't think there should just be a log-on button to get into a computer.



A CHEMICAL SPILL contaminated the drinking water of about 300,000 people in and around Charleston, W.Va., in January. Residents used bottled water for more than a week to drink, cook and bathe.



Photo credit: AP Images



THE "DIVERGENT" TRILOGY – a popular sci-fi series set in a futuristic society ruled by an authoritarian leader – released the final book, "Allegiant." A new movie based on the first book was released in March.



WHAT DOES THE FOX SAY?



THE SONG "WHAT DOES THE FOX SAY?" by Norwegian pop duo Ylvis became one of the most popular viral videos and Internet memes of the year. The electronic dance tune received more than 350 million views on YouTube by early 2014.



COLLEGE BASKETBALL received a boost from one of the most highly touted class of incoming freshmen in years. Duke's Jabari Parker, Kentucky's Julius Randle, Arizona's Aaron Gordon and Andrew Wiggins (pictured) from Kansas were among the players who received nightly hype and attention.



OFFICIALS OF OTHER NATIONS became upset with the United States when it was discovered the U.S. National Security Agency had tapped the phones of 35 world leaders, including allies. That followed earlier reports the NSA was tracking the cell phone and Internet use of average U.S. citizens.



IN TIME FOR THE HOLIDAYS, manufacturers released the newest video game consoles and gamers rushed to the stores to buy up the new PlayStation 4, Xbox 1 and Nintendo Wii U gaming systems.



TOP SELLING VIDEO GAMES



Source: Yahoo



LEBRON JAMES led the Miami Heat to its second straight NBA title over the San Antonio Spurs, then once again had the Heat near the top of the standings going for a third straight championship in 2014.

Photo credits: Newscom



ONLINE STREAMING VIDEO SERVICES like Netflix and Hulu Plus continued to add subscribers and create original TV programming. Netflix brought back the comedy "Arrested Development" and created new episodes, while also agreeing to create new animated series like "Turbo FAST."



"AMERICAN IDOL" once again went through changes, with original judge Randy Jackson leaving the show after 12 years. Jennifer Lopez and Keith Urban returned, and Harry Connick, Jr., joined as judges. Through it all, millions still watched every week.



FILIPINOS SEARCHED FOR FOOD, WATER, SHELTER and missing family members following the massive destruction to The Philippines by Typhoon Haiyan in November. Relief organizations acted quickly after one of the strongest storms ever recorded. Estimates put the death toll at almost 6,000.

MOST DOWNLOADED IPHONE APPS



"CANDY CRUSH SAGA," a matching puzzle video game available as a smartphone app and on Facebook, became wildly popular and addictive. By late 2013, the game claimed to have around 6.7 million active users.



Source: Apple



TECH JOBS ARE MOSTLY HELD BY MEN, but the Bureau of Labor Statistics said in the past year 60% of the job openings were filled by women. A report by CNNMoney showed most women at tech companies work in administrative positions. The bureau's stats do not yet indicate if that trend is turning.



THE BOSTON RED SOX defeated the St. Louis Cardinals to win the 2013 World Series in six games. Boston clinched the title at home in Fenway Park, the first time the team had done so since 1918.



THE 22ND WINTER OLYMPICS were held in Sochi, Russia. While the games received criticism for what many considered to be Sochi's subpar accommodations and Russia's stance on some political issues, the events continued on with a record number of countries competing. Gold medalists for the U.S. included snowboarder Jamie Anderson and figure skating pair Meryl Davis and Charlie White.



DRONES HAVE BEEN USED by the military for a while, but other industries began thinking about how drones could help them. Amazon announced its Amazon Prime Air will use drones to deliver packages, maybe as early as 2015.



AMERICAN LONG-DISTANCE SWIMMER Diana Nyad finally successfully swam from Cuba to Florida on her fifth attempt. Nyad's trek covered 110 miles and took her about 53 hours.



THE BEST PICTURE NOMINEES at the Academy Awards included crime comedy/drama "American Hustle," outer space thriller "Gravity," and "Captain Phillips," the story of a sea rescue based on a true story.

